



Fiscal Year 2015 Review (1 October 2015 – 30 September 2016)

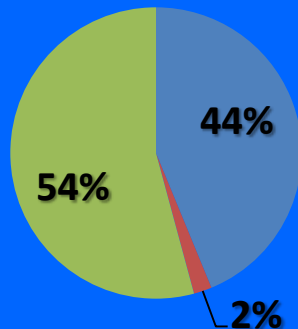




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FY15 approved budget = \$396,600

- \$173,635: salaries, benefits, office, supplies, rent, communications, utilities, transportation
- \$ 7,987: printing, hardware, exhibits
- \$214,978: other staff salaries & benefits (including interns), contracts, task agreements



NPS staff / approved funding = 65%

FY12 → FY15: + 1.8%



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Two MOUs, 37 miles of designated Trail segments:

- 2 miles within Smallwood State Park
- 35 miles in DC



+ one MOU ~ Grist Mill Park –
Woodlawn – Fort Belvoir – Pohick
Bay Regional Park

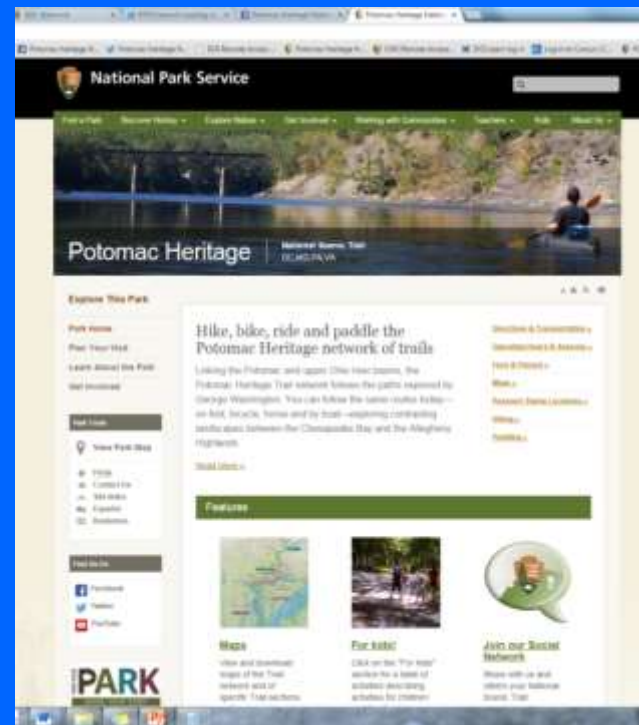


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- increased social media presence
- revised Trail brochure map
- began Web site redesign

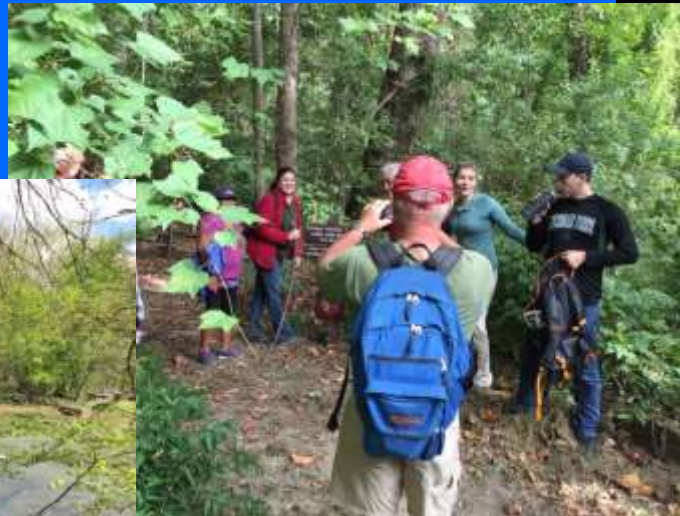


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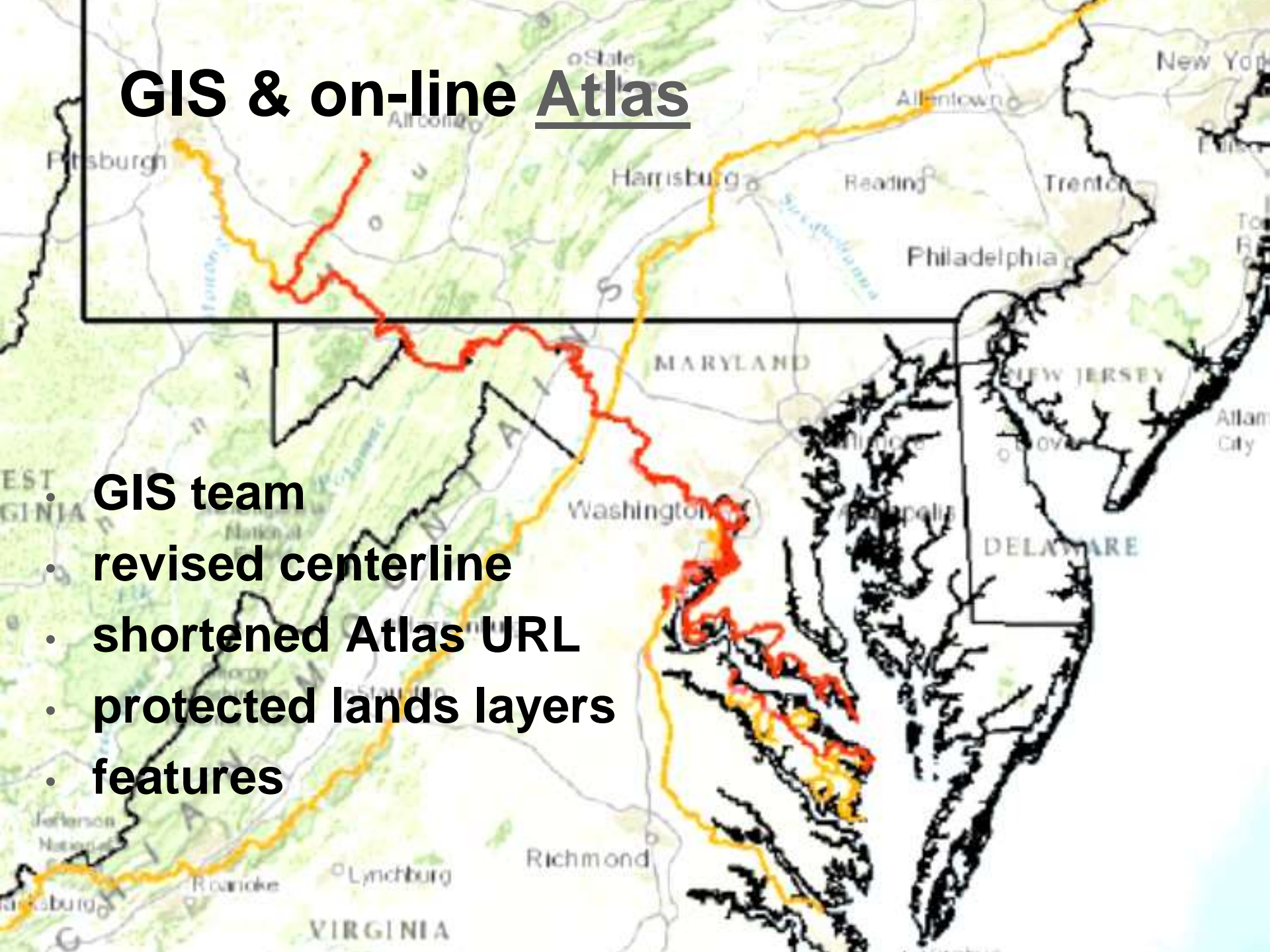
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- Hike Fort Marcy – Rock Creek Nature Center
- NoVA Trailfest
- Mason Neck Gateway Dedication
- 2014 PHT Roundtable



GIS & on-line Atlas

- GIS team
- revised centerline
- shortened Atlas URL
- protected lands layers
- features





Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail

- methodology for a user survey
- scenic resources workshop
- *Route Marking & Graphic Identity Guidelines*
- *Tidal Potomac Plan*
- photo library



USER SURVEY RECOMMENDATIONS FROM: **Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail Partner Study**

Spring 2015

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- 35 NGO partners/consulting parties
- 36 non-federal government agencies/consulting parties
- 187,701 Web site “page views”
- 2,417 Facebook “page likes”
- 716 Twitter “followers”
- 40 programs “For Kids”
- 5 new task agreements
- 11 funding requests
- 63 information requests
- 3 compliance actions
- 8 video clips
- 5 interns shared among 3 offices
- 2 word clouds...



Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail



How long is the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail?



Formal "agreements for management"
"designating" existing & planned "segments" of
the Potomac Heritage NST (*italics* = *in process*)

Great Allegheny Passage: Cumberland-Ohiopyle

Chesapeake & Ohio Canal Towpath

Potomac Heritage Trail network in Northern Virginia

- Potomac Heritage Trail segments White's Ferry - American Legion Bridge

- Potomac Heritage Trail w/in George Washington Memorial Parkway

- Mount Vernon Trail w/in George Washington Memorial Parkway

- Potomac Heritage Trail segments Mount Vernon - Locust Shade Park

Historic Falmouth - Ferry Farm Trail (Stafford County)

Northern Neck Heritage Trail Bicycling Route: Colonial Beach - Reedville, Virginia

hiking route in DC: Oxon Cove Park - MP O C&O Canal Towpath via Civil War Defenses of Washington

bicycling/multi-use route in DC: Oxon Cove Park - C&O Canal Towpath

Southern Maryland Potomac Heritage Trail On-Road Bicycling Route:

- Oxon Cove Park - National Colonial Farm (w/in Prince George's County)

- Oxon Cove Park - Point Lookout State Park Lighthouse (w/in Charles and Saint Mary's counties)

Southern Maryland PHT hiking trails:

Potomac Heritage Trail w/in Piscataway Park

Potomac Heritage Trail w/in Douglass Point Special Recreation Mgmt. Area

Potomac Heritage Trail loop w/in Smallwood State Park

existing miles of trails within the Potomac Heritage NST network:

potential Trail segments on land:

Eastern Continental Divide Loop Trail (Garrett County, MD)

PHT Harpers Ferry NHP at Loudoun Heights - White's Ferry, VA

PHT Grist Mill Park - Pohick Bay Regional Park (mostly within US Army Garrison Fort Belvoir)

PHT Locust Shade Park - Colonial Beach, VA

total potential miles of land trails:

total existing + potential miles of land trails:

	existing only	planned only	existing + planned
	70.0		70.0
	73.0		73.0
	184.5		184.5
	14.0	7	21.0
	10.0		10.0
	17.0		17.0
	19.0	8	27.0
	1.5	3.5	5.0
	88.0	3.5	91.5
	11.0	14	25.0
	4.0	6	10.0
	163.0	5	168.0
	1.5	4	5.5
	2.5		2.5
	2.0		2.0
existing miles of trails within the Potomac Heritage NST network:	661	51	712

miles:

661

(existing)

+

51

(planned)

=

712

214

(potential)

926



GAPS:

51

(planned)

+

116

(potential)

=

167

(miles)

- Eastern Continental Divide Loop: Monroe Run - DCLSP
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- PHT: Harpers Ferry NHP (Loudoun County) – White's Ferry
 - PHT: Keep Loudoun Beautiful Park – White's Ferry (various sections)
 - PHT: Scott's Run Nature Preserve – Great Falls Park
 - PHT: Grist Mill Park – Woodlawn – Fort Belvoir – Pohick Bay RP
 - PHT: Powell's Creek/Route 1 – Prince William Forest Park
 - PHT: Prince William FP – National Museum of the Marine Corps
 - XXX: Locust Shade Park – Belmont
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- CWDW / PHT: Fort Totten – Fort Mahan
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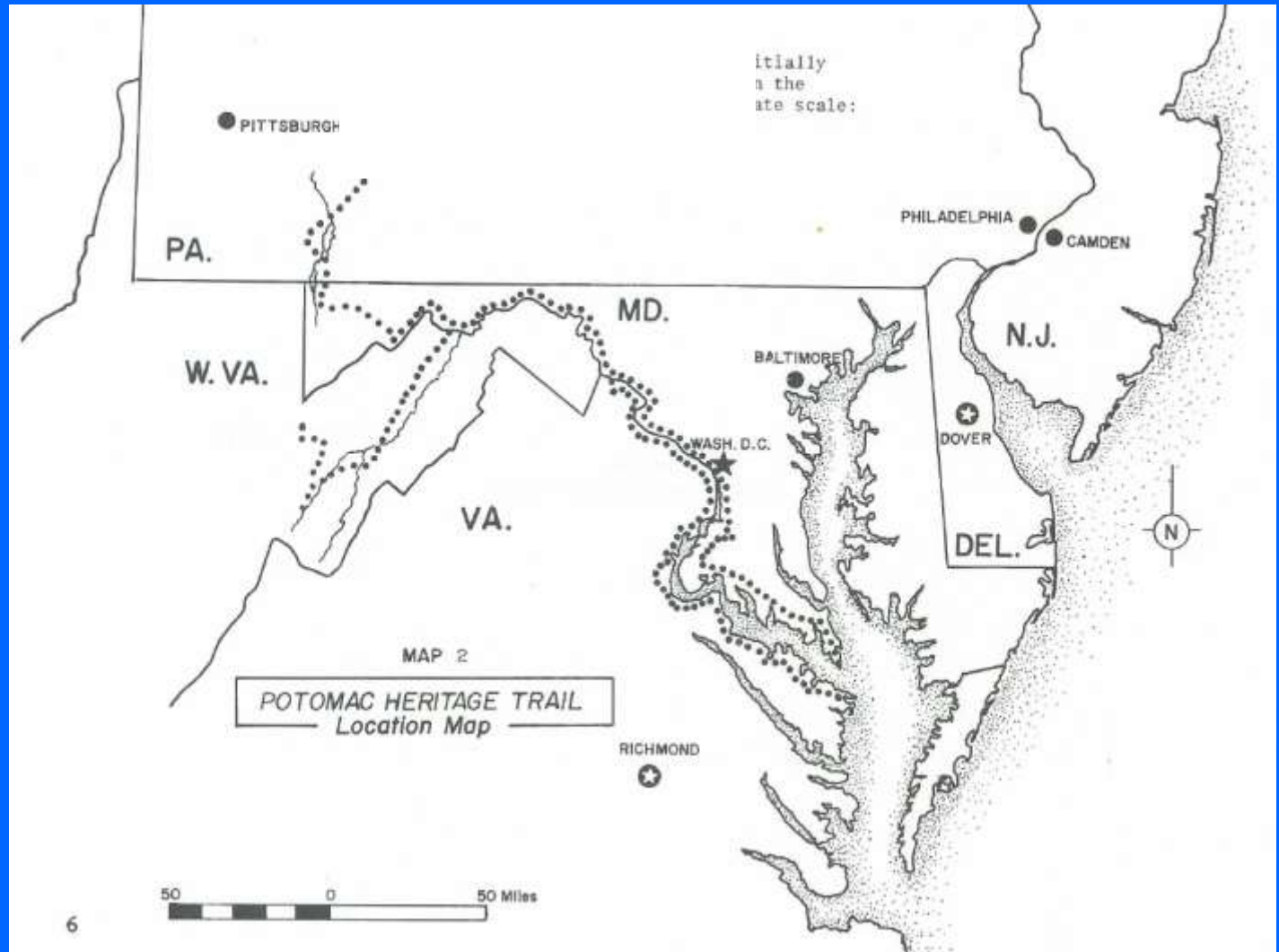
- XXX: George Washington's Ferry Farm – Caledon State Park
 - XXX (via water): Leesylvania State Park – Caledon State Park
 - Northern Neck Heritage Trail / PHT: Route 3 bicycling routes 204 - 214
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- PHT: w/in Broad Creek Historic District
- PHT (hiking): Fort Washington Park – Marshall Hall



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Fiscal year 2016 priorities:

- events
- eliminate gaps in the Trail network
- enhance the Trail network
 - route marking
 - trailhead orientation signs
 - maintenance
- communications
 - Web site as a “virtual visitor center”
 - social media
 - NPS Trail brochure
- ethnographic study, viewshed inventory, conservation priorities...

